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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed from the United States Patent and Trademark Office on August 29, 2003, please enter the following amendments and remarks into the file of the above-identified application.